

ST JOSEPH'S and HOLY FAMILY YEAR OF JUBILEE 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope

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Mass Times and Intentions for - ALL SAINTS - 2 nd November 2025					
Saturday 1st November	6.00 pm (Vigil)	Th	anksgiving (Kate Markham)		
Sunday 2 nd November ALL SAINTS	9.00 am 10.00 am нғ 11.00 am 5.30 pm		Anna Loftus (RIP) People of the Parish John Kelly Michelle Tieran (RIP)		Tea & coffee at SJ after 11.00am Mas
Monday ALL SOULS	9.30 am 10.00 am нг 12.00 pm 7.00 pm		Faithful Departed Rita Rodrigues (RIP) Bryan Miller (RIP) Philip Higgins (RIP)		St Winefride
Tuesday	9.30 am нғ 12.00 noon	Joe &	Cath Moore (50 th Wedd. Ann. 18.1 Pat Perkin (RIP)	0)	Ferial Adoration 10.00am HF
Wednesday	9.30 am		Leonard Chadwich (Ann.)		Ferial
Thursday	9.30 am HF 12.00 noon		Eileen Kerr (Sick) Kieron Deasy (RIP)		Ferial
Friday	9.30 am	Rosetta - Scan		Ferial	
Saturday 8 th November	12.00 noon	Bernard Kevin Roddy		Ferial	
	6.00 pm (Vigil)	Jamie Mannion (B'day Rem.)		<u>Confessions</u> 11.00am – 12 noon	
Sunday 9 th November DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA OF THE MOST HOLY REDEEMER	9.00 am 10.00 am нғ 11.00 am 5.30 pm	War Dead Giuseppa Di Cello (1 st Ann.) Bernard, Mollie & Alison Nevin (RIP) People of the Parish		Tea & coffee at SJ after 11.00am Mas	
OUR LADY'S LAMP This week the lamp is lit in loving memory of Patricia Tarpey	SACRED HEART LAMP This week the lamp is lit for the forgotten souls in Purgatory		ST CARLO ACUTIS'S LAMP This week the lamp is lit in loving memory of Rachel McPeake 3rd Ann 27.10	26	FERINGS WEEKEND 5th October 2025 £1921.26 HF £594.09 Many Thanks

What Makes A Saint?

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We can land men on the moon or Mars, find cures for cancer and AIDS, or define the 'big bang theory' but ultimately our destiny is shaped not by man's conquests or discoveries, but by the simple acceptance of a sermon Jesus gave over two thousand years ago. The 'Sermon On the Mount', sometimes called the 'greatest sermon of all time', begins with a list of revolutionary statements, which we now know as the 'Beatitudes'. The Beatitudes give us a blue print for living our lives, and a key for entering the Kingdom of God.

Be poor in spirit we are told, not allowing our lives to be governed by money or material concerns. We should be meek, always seeking to serve rather than seeking the power with which to lord it over others. Hunger for righteousness we are told, never tolerating injustice, always having the integrity to suffer for what we believe in if needs be. We should be merciful, not only with those we feel deserve mercy like the poor and the disadvantaged, but with those who need our forgiveness and consideration. Are we always pure of heart or do we enjoy a good gossip, a joke at someone else's expense? Are we peacemakers, or do we fuel battles against neighbours, workmates or people from different communities?

The Beatitudes are a list of ideals and challenges designed to shape our lives for the better, but are we left looking at the list and feeling that it's just too much of a tall order? As in anything that initially seems too difficult are we in danger of simply 'switching off', imagining that Jesus' ideals are meant for others but not for us?

On this the feast of 'All Saints' we celebrate the lives of those saints whose lives we aim to imitate. But what is interesting to note, is that not even these very special men and women have managed to live by every single beatitude. A saint is not necessarily a perfect person, but someone who has sought his or her hardest to be faithful to God. When we determine to live our lives by Jesus' ideals what matters is our commitment and integ

our measure of success.

Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints, at whose festival the Angels rejoice Entrance Antiphon:

and praise the Son of God.

Responsorial Psalm: Such are the people who seek your face, O God.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, says the Lord, and I will give you rest. Alleluia.

Communion Antiphon: Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God.

Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for their is the Kingdom of Heaven.

Revelation 7: 2-4. 9-14 Psalm 24 1 John 3: 1-3 Matthew 5: 1-12a

Parish Safeguarding Officers: Deirdre Peden & Sue Longson

MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

The November Dead Envelopes are available at the back of church. Please place the envelope containing the names of those you wish to remember at all Masses, along with your offering, in the basket in front of the altar.

The parish Mass of Remembrance will be at 7.00pm on Tuesday 25th November. All are invited to this Mass.

BLESSING OF GRAVES

Father Woolley will be available to bless family graves and lead us in prayer for our deceased loved ones on Sunday 30th November at 2.30pm at Brooklands/Sale Cemetery. We will gather together for a short time of prayer before the blessing of individual graves. All welcome to come along.

If your loved one is not buried at Brooklands but you would like their grave blessed, please contact Father Stephen.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS - DAY OF RECOLLECCTION

at St Joseph's & Holy Family on <u>Saturday 13th December</u> in St Joseph's Parish Centre. Please would all <u>Ministers</u> make every effort to come to this important day. Further information to follow.

CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT

Father Stephen has now paid for and collected tickets for the Manchester & District Hospitals' Choir Carol Concert on Monday 1st December. The cost is £18 per ticket. Please can those who have asked for tickets make payment asap, in an envelope with your name on it, to the parish office. Thank you.

HOLY FAMILY MOTHER & TODDLER GROUP

will start again after half term next <u>Monday 10th</u> November (not tomorrow- Feast of All Souls).

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2026

Tuesday 9th June – Tuesday 16th June 2026,

staying at the Hotel Padoue which is central to the Domain. Full board. The cost is £949, sharing a room or £1119 for single occupancy. Full liturgical programme, including Holy Mass, every day. Completed forms (available in the sacristy at St Joseph's) to be sent as soon as possible direct to Northern Star with a deposit of £300 per person.

CONFIRMATION 2026

Confirmation for St Joseph's & Holy Family will be on Friday 15th May 2026, in St Joseph's church. Forms are available in the sacristy for anyone in Year 8 and above wishing to be confirmed next year. The Confirmation Programme will begin with a welcome session for all candidates, together with their parents, on Sunday 16th November at 7.00pm in

St Joseph's Parish Centre. Registration must be received before the programme begins.

<u>FIRST FORGIVENESS AND</u> **HOLY COMMUNION IN 2026**

The date for First Holy Communion 2026 has been arranged for <u>Saturday 16th May</u> (schools) and <u>Sunday 17th May</u> (those at Non-Catholic schools). However, if your child is at a Non-Catholic School and is 7 years old or above and in year 3 or above and would like to celebrate their First Forgiveness and Holy Communion, please collect a Form of Enrolment from the Sacristy. There will be a meeting for all First Sacraments parents – schools and parish next Thursday 6th November at 6.00pm at St. Joseph's

It is very important that the children are enrolled before the course begins.

PRAY FOR PRIESTS

for November are at the back of church

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

As the custodians of Remembrance, The Royal British Legion calls on the nation to unite in commemorating Remembrance Sunday at the 2025 Cenotaph Parade in Whitehall next Sunday 9th November.

Poppies are available at the back of St Joseph's. Please support the Poppy Appeal by buying and wearing your Poppy with pride.

Next Sunday Father Woolley will be attending the Civic Ceremony at the Sale Cenotaph at 11.00am., representing the Catholic community. All are welcome to join him.

ST JOSEPH & HOLY FAMILY WALKERS

Next Walk - Kersal Dale & Wetlands Valley <u>Sunday</u> 16th November Meet at 1.15pm for 1.30pm (prompt)
- back by 5.00pm . 4.5 miles - One short but steep
climb . More details from St Joseph and Holy Family Walkers web site. http://www.stjosephswalkers.org.uk/ or see poster in the narthex

<u>BOILER RENEWAL</u>

Work is progressing well. The new boilers are now fixed in situ but have yet to be connected. It is hoped that by next weekend we should have some heat! Thank you for your continued understanding as the weather gets colder.

CAFOD QUIZ NIGHT

The annual and very popular <u>CAFOD Quiz Night</u> will be <u>Saturday 15th November at 7.00pm</u> in

St Joseph's Parish Centre. Pay on the door but, to secure a place, individuals or teams are advised to email <u>cafod.sjhf@gmail.com</u> We can then reserve a table for your team of four or five; or we can team you up with others if there are fewer of you. Book now to avoid disappointment!

Quizmaster: Kieron Walsh.

Doors open at 7.00pm and quiz starts at 7.30pm

Price: £10 per person. Includes chilli/ yeggie chilli or non-spicy options Tea and coffee available but please bring any drinks of your own.

EYFS OPEN AFTERNOON

St. Joseph's school have their first Open Afternoon for prospective parents of Nursery and Reception children for September 2026 this <u>Thursday 6</u>
November at 4pm. This is an opportunity to visit the school, meet the EYFS staff and explore how they give the children an outstanding start to their education! There is no need to book an appointment — please just arrive at the main entrance to school for a 4pm start. We look forward to seeing you there!

A LOCAL CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME

Come along and enjoy the traditional story of 'The Elves and the Shoemaker', rewritten by Fran Grubert and music by Arnold Ashbrook, to be performed by 'The Players' on Thursday 27th November and Friday 28th November at 7.30pm and Saturday 29th November at 2pm in St Joseph's Parish Centre. Tickets: £9 adults and under 18's: £4, available from Teresa: 07709 956820.

PAPAL PRAYER INTENTION - NOVEMBER For the Prevention of Suicide

This month Pope Leo invites us to join the papal prayer intention, "...that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life."

COMMENDED TO GOD

We hold in loving memory and prayers Patricia Ganderton and Robert Duff who have died recently. May they rest in peace. We extend to their families and friends our deepest sympathy at this sad and difficult time.